Douglas A. Ducey
Governor

Office of the Governor

* ARIZONA PREPAREDNESS MONTH *

WHEREAS, the residents of Arizona are called to action to prepare for any emergency, large or small; and

WHEREAS, the threat of foreign and domestic terrorism has caused all Americans to re-evaluate their levels of preparedness; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona and its residents often endure monsoon rains, flash floods, wildfires and extreme heat, which can threaten public health and safety, damage property and infrastructure, strain resources and impact state commerce; and

WHEREAS, residents are encouraged to be resilient and prepared for emergencies in their homes, businesses, and schools, by developing family communication plans and disaster preparedness kits, and by being informed of, and ready to respond and recover from potential hazards; and

WHEREAS, State agencies and State employees should educate others and provide help during and after a disaster; and

WHEREAS, emergencies and disasters can strike without warning, making it imperative that businesses, schools and industry "Prepare a Plan," "Make a Kit," "Be Informed," and "Inspire Others"; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona has partnered with Arizona Departments of Emergency and Military Affairs, Homeland Security, Health Services, the Arizona Red Cross, the Arizona Citizen Corps Councils, and the Arizona Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, among others, in recognizing the need for a broad public education program about the importance of being prepared.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 2015 as

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and I further encourage all residents to develop their own emergency preparedness plans and supply kits.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-fourth day of August in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fortieth.

Michele Resgan

Secretary of State